COMMITTEE MINUTES for ADMINISTRATION & REGULATION APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE

Date: January 17, 2001 **Place:** Room 19

Convened: 9:45 a.m. Recessed: Reconvened: Adjourned: 11:10 a.m.

Present: Senators Schuerer-CH, Bartz-VC, Hansen, Zieman

Representatives Raecker-CH, Sievers-VC, Connors-RM, Chiodo, Elgin, Klemme, O'Brien,

Taylor, Tyrrell

Absent:

Excused: Flynn-RM

The meeting was convened at 9:45 a.m. by Senator Schuerer, co-chair of the committee. Following opening comments, he asked members of the committee and others present to introduce themselves. Representative Raecker asked committee members to share their opinions on items they would like to see included m the process.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved on motion made by Rep. Siever's and seconded by Rep. Klemme. Roll call was taken.

Committee members requested that a timetable of scheduled presentations be distributed.

Christina Schaefer and Ron Robinson of the Legislative Fiscal Bureau reviewed the Governor's recommendations contained in the Administration & Regulation budget, FY 2002, pointing out increases and decreases contained therein.

Kevin Techau, Director of the Department of Inspections and Appeals, presented some general observations of the Department. He reviewed the various divisions and distributed an outline of Functional Activities, FTEs and Funding Sources. The distributed information also included detailed information on Hospital Licensing, the Single Contract Repository for health care facilities. Food Safety Inspections, and IFSIDS, a multilingual food safety web site.

Senator Hansen asked Mr. Techau to provide information on how a proposed "English as a Second Language" bill would affect IFSIDS.

Linda Vanderloo, representing the Racing and Gaming Commission, responded to questions directed to that area.

Representative Taylor asked if information could be obtained on whether or not the size of portions served in food establishments is covered by responsibilities of the Department.

A list as presented by Representative Raecker will be researched and distributed to the committee.

The Department was asked to provide committee members with a spreadsheet on outside contracts.

Senator Bartz asked if presenters' reports could be distributed to committee members along with the agendas.

Representative O'Brien moved to arise.

Mary Lou Aspengren, Senate Committee Secretary